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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated November 16, 2006 and accompanies a Request for Continued Examination. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments beginning on page 5 of this paper.